

A photograph of a military checkpoint in a desert environment. In the foreground, a soldier in camouflage gear stands to the left of a vehicle. The vehicle has a sign that reads "DO NOT ENTER". In the background, other vehicles and soldiers are visible on a dirt road. The sky is clear and blue.

# MANEUVER AND MOBILITY SUPPORT OPERATIONS

# **MMS**

THOSE MEASURES NECESSARY TO  
ENSURE FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT  
AND ENHANCE THE MOVEMENT OF  
FRIENDLY RESOURCES IN ALL  
ENVIRONMENTS, THUS ENSURING  
THAT COMMANDERS GET PEOPLE,  
SUPPLIES, AND EQUIPMENT WHEN  
AND WHERE THEY ARE NEEDED

# **ELEMENTS OF**

## **MMS**

### **MANEUVER**

### **SUPPORT**

- x MP Support to River Crossings
- x MP Support to Breaching Operations
- x MP Support to a Passage of Lines
- x Straggler Control
- x Dislocated Civilian Control

## **MOBILITY SUPPORT**

- x Route Reconnaissance and Surveillance
- x MSR Regulation Enforcement
- x Special Circulation Control Measures
  - Temporary Route Signing
  - Traffic Control Post
  - Holding Areas
  - Defiles

# TRAFFIC CIRCULATION PLAN

- GRAPHICALLY PORTRAYS THE ROAD NETWORKS
- NORMALLY PREPARED IN THE FORM OF AN OVERLAY
- PROVIDES HIGHWAY REGULATION INFORMATION TO HIGHWAY USERS

# **TRAFFIC CIRCULATION PLAN INCLUDES:**

- CIVILIAN ROUTE DESIGNATIONS
- MILITARY ROUTE DESIGNATIONS
- RESTRICTIVE ROUTES (BRIDGES AND TUNNELS)
- GEOGRAPHICAL FEATURES
- CRITICAL POINTS IN TRAFFIC FLOW (LARGE CITIES)

# **TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN**

- IMPLEMENTS THE TRAFFIC CIRCULATION CONTROL PLAN
- IN THE FORM OF AN OVERLAY

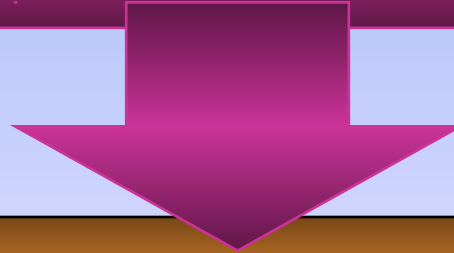
# **TRAFFIC CONTROL PLANS INCLUDE:**

- ✈ PLACEMENT OF CONTROL OPERATIONS
- ✈ LOCATION OF TCP's
- ✈ MOBILE PATROL AREAS
- ✈ LOCATION OF TEMPORARY SIGNS
- ✈ POSSIBLE ALTERNATE ROUTES

**INITIAL TRAFFIC CIRCULATION PLAN**



**TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN**



**FINAL TRAFFIC CIRCULATION CONTROL PLAN**



# HIGHWAY ROUTES CLASSIFICATION



OPEN



SUPERVISED



RESERVE



DISPATCHED



PROHIBITED

# OPEN ROUTE

- LEAST RESTRICTIVE
- ANY UNIT CAN USE THE ROUTE
- MINIMUM CONTROL IS  
EXERCISED



# **SUPERVISED ROUTE**

- ☞ LIMITED CONTROL
- ☞ MP'S PROVIDE TCP'S, PATROLS,  
AND OTHER CONTROL  
MEASURES
- ☞ 10 OR MORE VEHICLES WILL  
REQUIRE MOVEMENT CREDITS

# DISPATCHED ROUTE

- ✎ MP'S EXERCISE FULL CONTROL OVER THE ROUTE
- ✎ PRIORITIES FOR USING THE ROAD ARE SET BY THE HTD
- ✎ MOVEMENT CREDIT IS REQUIRED FOR ALL VEHICLES

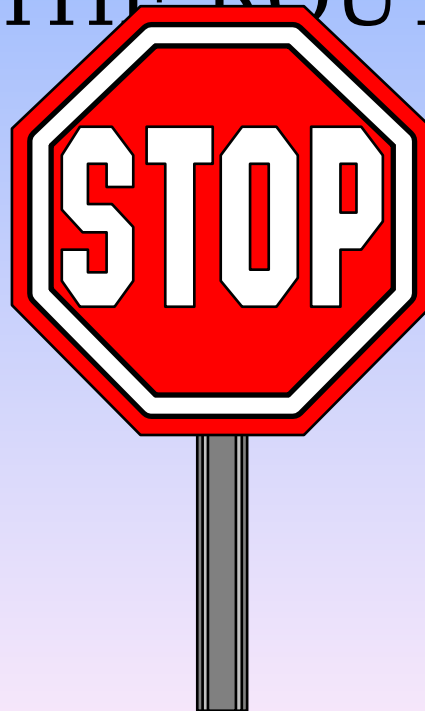
# **RESERVED ROUTE**

- ✓ ROUTE IS SET ASIDE FOR THE SOLE USE OF A CERTAIN UNIT
- ✓ A MOVEMENT CREDIT MAY BE REQUIRED
- ✓ THE DEGREE OF CONTROL IS SET BY THE PM

# PROHIBITED ROUTE

NO TRAFFIC IS ALLOWED  
OVER

THE ROUTE



# HIGHWAY TRAFFIC PRIORITIES

- BASED ON URGENCY OR CRITICAL NEED
- FORWARD MOVING TRAFFIC HAS PRIORITY
- LOADED VEHICLES HAVE PRIORITY OVER EMPTY VEHICLES
- PRIORITIES ARE SET BASED ON TACTICAL SITUATION

# MOVEMENT PRIORITIES

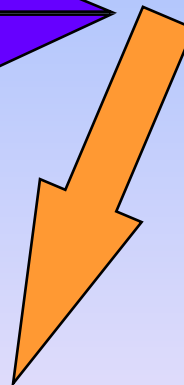
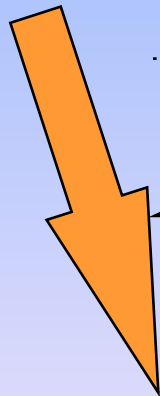
TACTICAL  
COMBAT  
FORCES

CLASS V, III, AND I

CLASS VIII

EVACUATION  
OF CASUALTIES

REQUIRED  
MOVEMENT OF  
SUPPORT





# **MILITARY POLICE SUPPORT IN MMS**

# **ELEMENTS OF**

# **MMS**

# **MANEUVER**

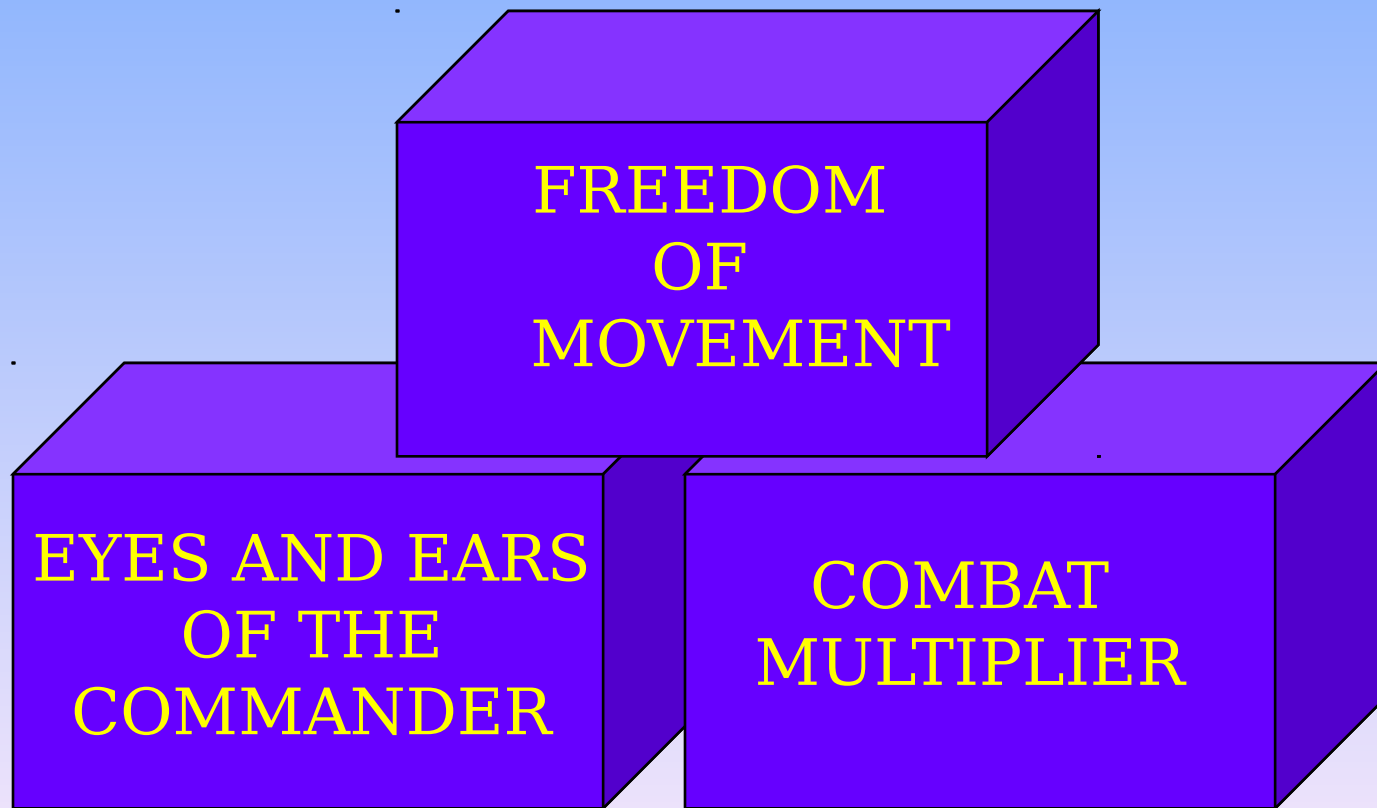
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# PURPOSE OF MMS



# **INFORMATION** **DISSEMINATION**

- **ROAD  
CONDITIONS**
- **UNIT MOVES**
- **CONTAMINATE  
D AREAS**
- **SUPPORT  
FACILITIES**
- **ALTERNATE  
ROUTES**
- **MOVEMENT  
ORDERS**

# MMS SUPPORTS

OFFENSE

RETROGRADE

PASSAGE OF LINES

RIVER  
CROSSING

# **ELEMENTS OF**

# **MOBILITY**

# **SUPPORT**

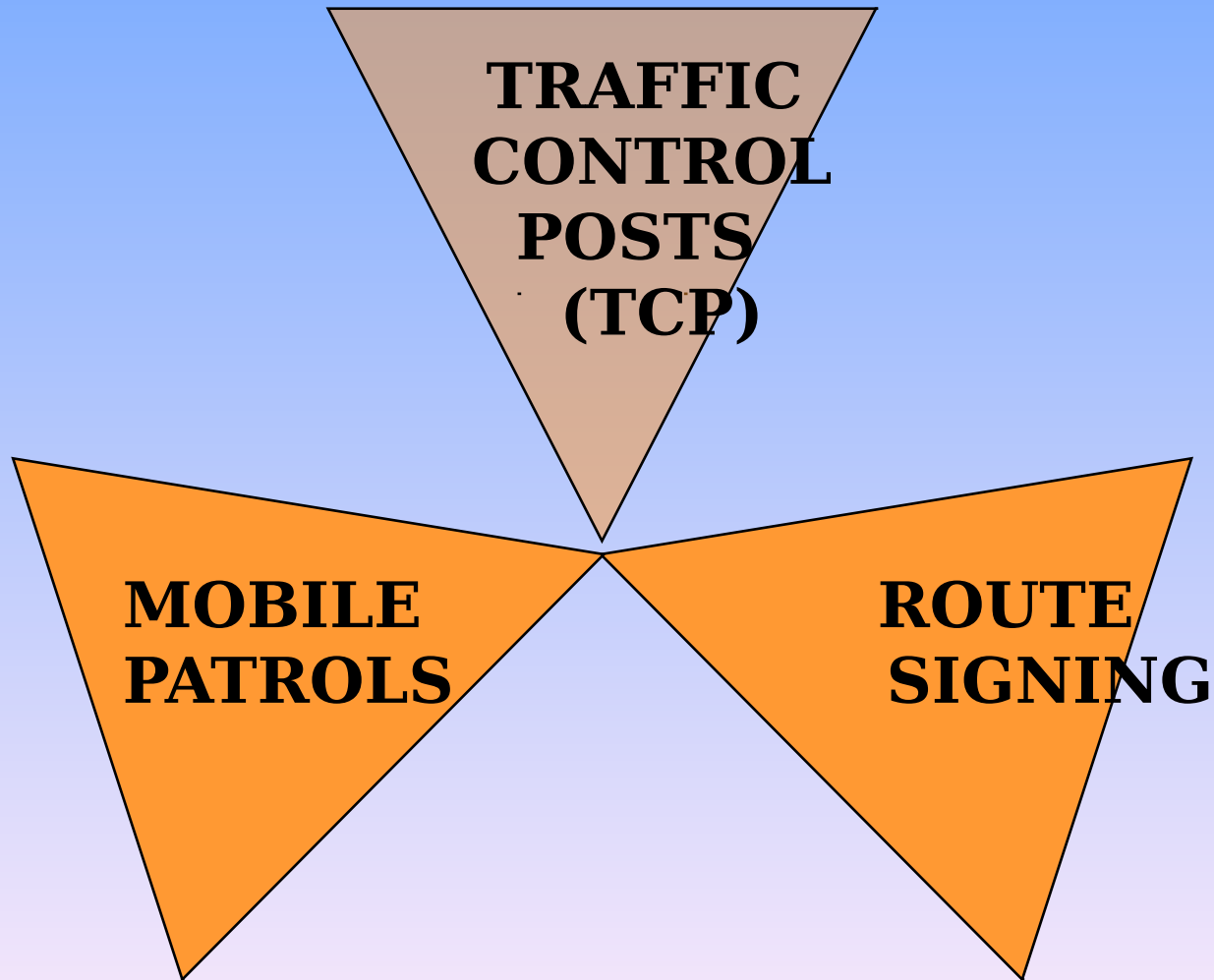
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# **MPs EXPEDITE MOVEMENT ON THE MSRs**

- TEAMS/SQUADS OPERATE TCPs, ROAD BLOCKS, AND HOLDING AREAS AT KEY LOCATIONS
- MOBILE PATROLS TRAVEL THE MSR<sub>s</sub> AND MONITOR TRAFFIC AND ROAD CONDITIONS
- MSR REGULATION ENSURES ONLY AUTHORIZED MOVEMENT TAKE PLACE



# **PRINCIPLES OF TRAFFIC CONTROL**





# TRAFFIC CONTROL POSTS (TCP)

- ✦ A **CRITICAL** POINT ON AN MSR MANNED BY AN MP TEAM TO CONTROL MOVEMENT OF VEHICLES AND PERSONNEL
- ▢ BUILDING BLOCK OF MMSO
- ▢ MOBILE PATROLS BECOME TCP'S



# TCP FUNCTIONS

- ✎ MONITOR AND ASSIST TRAFFIC
- ✎ PROVIDE ROUTE SECURITY
- ✎ MONITOR FOR NBC  
CONTAMINATION
- ✎ INTEL GATHERING/REPORTING
- ✎ INFORMATION DISSEMINATION
- ✎ STRAGGLER/REFUGEE CONTROL

# **TCP LOCATIONS**

- ❑ CRITICAL ROAD JUNCTIONS
- ❑ SET UP FOR HOURS OR DAYS
- ❑ LENGTH OF TIME DETERMINES  
THE MANNING REQUIREMENTS



# MOBILE PATROLS

- ▢ PROVIDE:
  - ★ **SPEED**
  - ★ **MOBILITY**
  - ★ **FIREPOWER**
- ▢ RAPID RESPONSE FORCE



# **MOBILE PATROL FUNCTIONS**

- ➔ **CONTACT BETWEEN TCP'S**
- ▢ **INVESTIGATE ACCIDENTS**
- ▢ **INTEL GATHERING**
- ▢ **RESUPPLY TO TCP'S**
- ▢ **CONTINUOUS AREA SURVEILLANCE**
- ▢ **RESPONSE FORCE**

# TEMPORARY ROUTE SIGNING

- ▢ REGULATES TRAFFIC
- ▢ REDUCES MANPOWER
- ▢ USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH TCP'S AND MOBILE PATROLS



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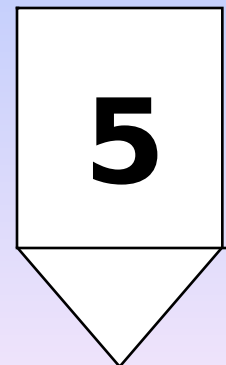
# CHECK POINT

A MANNED LOCATION USED TO  
CONTROL MOVEMENT,  
ENFORCE REGULATIONS,  
PREVENT ILLEGAL ACTIONS,  
INSPECT CARDS, AND PROVIDE  
INFORMATION.



# CHECK POINT LOCATIONS

- ★ ALONG MILITARY ROAD NET
- ★ ENTRANCE TO A CONTROLLED ROUTE
- ★ LOCATE SO THAT APPROACHING TRAFFIC CANNOT AVOID CHECKPOINT
  - ★ OVER THE CREST OF A HILL
  - ★ PAST THE BEND IN A ROAD





# **ROADBLOCK**

**A ROADBLOCK IS USED TO LIMIT THE MOVEMENT OF VEHICLES ALONG A ROUTE OR TO CLOSE ACCESS TO CERTAIN AREAS OR ROADS.**

# ROADBLOCK FUNCTIONS



**CHANNEL  
TRAFFIC  
AND  
PERSONNEL  
TO SINGLE  
LOCATION**

**CLOSE OFF  
ACCESS  
ALONG A  
ROUTE**

# **ROADBLOCK CONSIDERATIONS**

- **TRAFFIC SHOULD NOT BE CAPABLE OF  
AVOIDING THE ROADBLOCK**
- **PLACED SO THAT DRIVERS DO NOT SEE  
THEM  
UNTIL THEY HAVE PASSED ALL  
POSSIBLE  
TURN-OFF'S**
- **BARRIERS USED MUST BLOCK THE  
ROAD,  
BUT BE EASILY REMOVED IF  
NECESSARY**

# **ROADBLOCK CONSIDERATIONS**

## **(Cont.)**

- MIGHT REQUIRE MORE THAN ONE  
MILITARY POLICE TEAM
- WIRE AND TERRAIN ARE USED  
TO  
CANALIZE
- SECURITY IS VITAL

# **HOLDING AREAS**

- ▮ EASE CONGESTION
- ▮ REESTABLISH MOVEMENT SCHEDULE
- ▮ ORGANIZE FOR AN ATTACK
- ▮ PRIORITY UTILIZATION OF ROAD NET

# **HOLDING AREAS MAY BE LOCATED:**

INDEPENDENTLY TO EASE CONGESTION

RIVER CROSSINGS

PASSAGE OF LINES

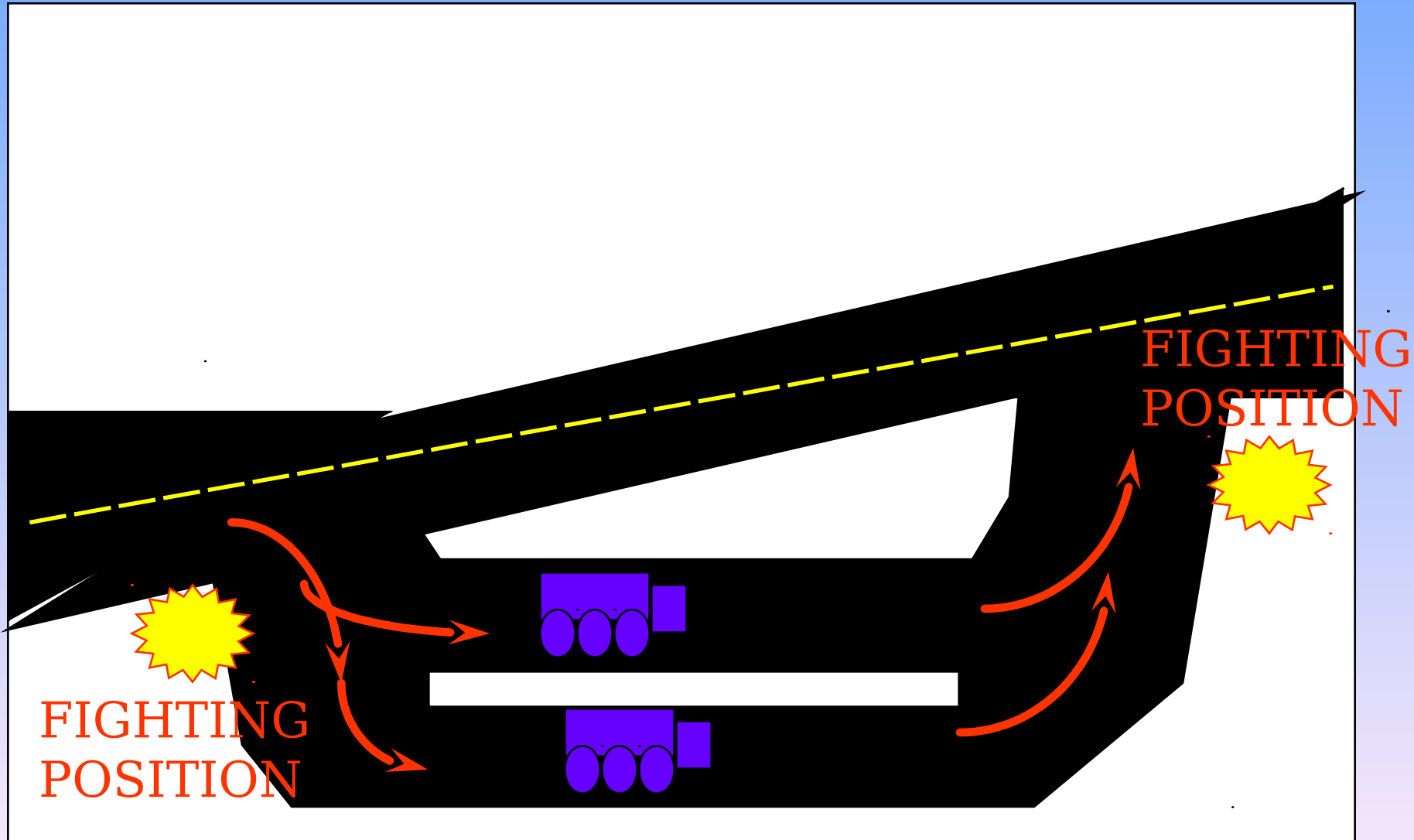
DEFILES

CHECK POINTS

# **HOLDING AREA SITE SELECTIONS**

- ✓ EXACT LOCATION SELECTED BY THE LEADER WITH THE MISSION
- ✓ PARK VEHICLES FACING EXIT
- ✓ EASY ACCESS FROM MSR
- ✓ LARGE ENOUGH TO DISPERSE VEHICLES
- ✓ STRONG SURFACE
- ✓ THE AREA MUST BE DEPENDABLE

# HOLDING AREA





# **LARGE HOLDING AREAS**

- INVOLVES SEVERAL MP TEAMS
- MUST HAVE CONTROL PLAN
- DIVIDE HOLDING AREA INTO SUBDIVISIONS
- KEEP A COUNT OF VEHICLES
- USE CHEM LIGHTS TO MARK AREAS

# DEFILES

- DEFILES ARE MANMADE OR NATURAL FEATURE OBSTACLES THAT RESTRICT THE FLOW OF TRAFFIC TO ONE DIRECTION AT A TIME
  - **BATTLE DAMAGE ROADS**
  - **NARROW BRIDGES**
  - **TOWNS**
  - **NBC CONTAMINATED AREAS**

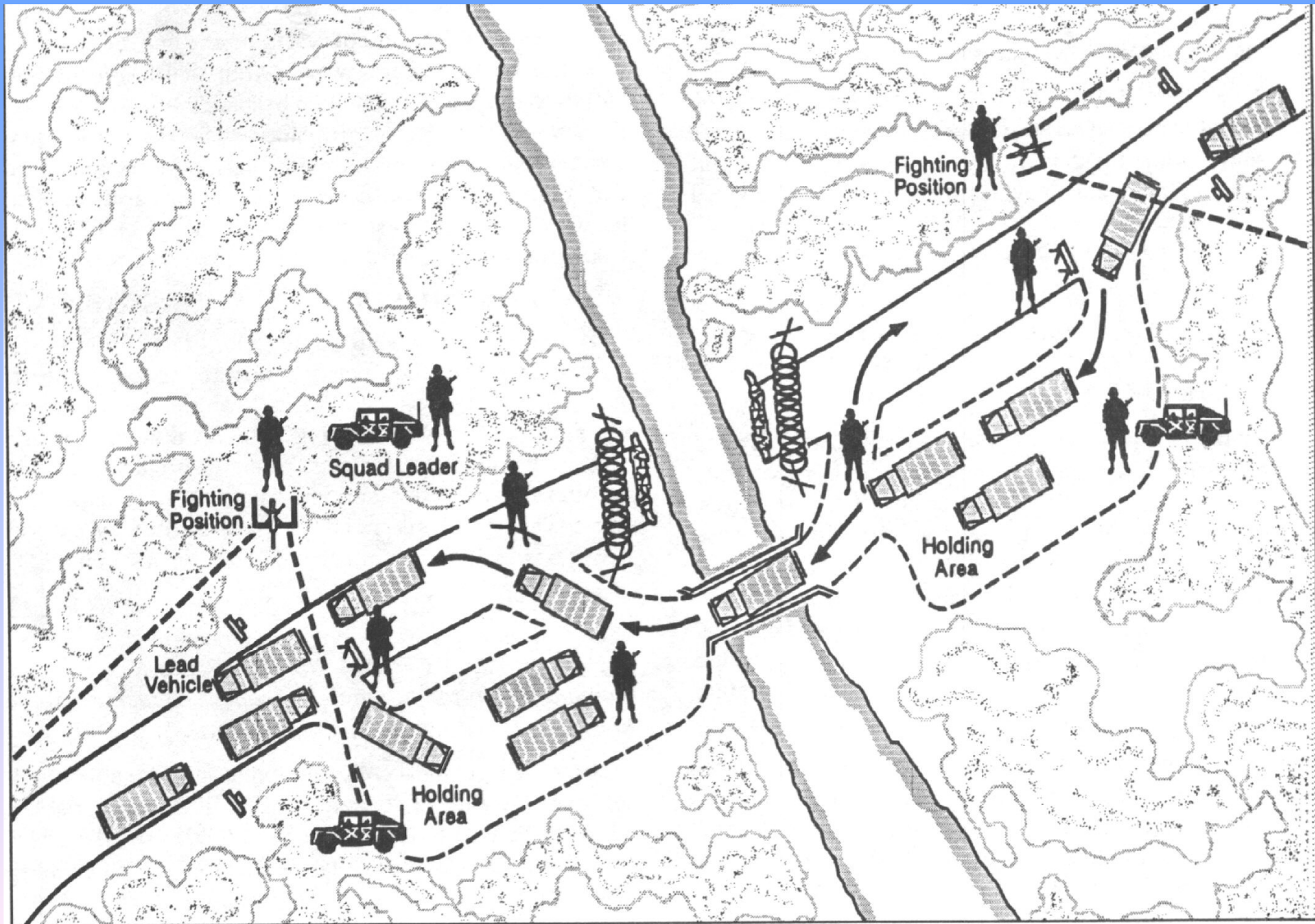
# **MP RESPONSIBILITIES AT DEFILE**

- × BRIEF DRIVERS
- × CONTROL ACCESS SO VEHICLES MOVE QUICKLY
- × ENSURE VEHICLES ENTER ONE AT A TIME
- × PROVIDE SECURITY
- × RE-ROUTE VEHICLES WHEN NECESSARY

# **DEFILE CONTROL MEASURES**

- ★ COMMUNICATIONS
- ★ FLAGS
- ★ VISUAL SIGNALS
- ★ MP LEAD VEHICLES
- ★ MP TRAIL VEHICLES

# LARGE DEFILE OPERATION



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# MP SUPPPORT TO RIVER CROSSING OPERATIONS

❄ ACTIONS TAKEN BY MP TO  
MINIMIZE THE RIVERS IMPACT ON  
THE COMMANDERS ABILITY TO  
MANEUVER

▢ THREE TYPES OF RIVER  
CROSSINGS:

- HASTY
- DELIBERATE

# MP SUPPPORT TO BREACHING OPERATIONS

□ ACTIONS TAKEN BY MP TO HELP ALLOW MANEUVER DESPITE THE PRESENCE OF OBSTACELS COVERED BY FIRE

□ INCLUDES:

- Operating TCPs at the breaching site and along routes leading to or departing breaching site
- Operating Holding Areas
- Providing Mobile Guides



# MP SUPPORT TO PASSAGE OF LINES

- ▮ A TACTICAL EVENT ASSOCIATED WITH A BATTLE HANDOVER
- ▮ CONTROLLED MOVEMENT OF A MOBILIZED FORCE THROUGH A STATIONARY ONE
- ▮ MAY BE FORWARD OR REARWARD

# PASSAGE OF LINES

## (CON'T)

- A PASSAGE OF LINES MAY BE CONDUCTED
  - TO CONTINUE AN ATTACK OR COUNTERATTACK
  - TO ENVELOPE AN ENEMY FORCE
  - TO PURSUE A FLEEING ENEMY
  - TO WITHDRAW COVERING FORCES OR MBA FORCES
- MP SUPPORT INCLUDES:
  - TCPs
  - TEMPORARY ROUTE SIGNING
  - CHECKPOINTS/ROADBLOCKS
  - DEFILES

# STRAGGLER AND DISLOCATED CIVILIAN



# **STRAGGLER**

A MILITARY MEMBER WHO WITHOUT  
APPARENT PURPOSE OR ASSIGNED  
MISSION BECOMES SEPARATED FROM  
THEIR UNIT



# **STRAGGLER CONTROL OPERATIONS**

OPERATIONS UNDERTAKEN BY MPs  
TO RETURN MILITARY PERSONNEL  
TO THEIR UNITS



# CAUSES OF STRAGGLERS

- **PHYSICAL**
- **PSYCHOLOGICAL**
- **LEADERSHIP**
- **PHYSIOLOGICAL**
- **MORALE**
- **TACTICAL**

# **STRAGGLER CONTROL RESPONSIBILITY**

- ▲ UNIT COMMANDERS HAVE OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY
- ▲ G1 HAD STAFF RESPONSIBILITY
- ▲ PM ASSIST IN IMPLEMENTATION
- ▲ MP'S ARE THE CONTROLLERS

# CATEGORIES OF STRAGGLERS

**UNINJURED  
PERSONNEL**

The diagram consists of three blue rectangular boxes with black outlines, arranged in a descending staircase pattern from left to right. The first box on the left contains the text 'UNINJURED PERSONNEL'. The middle box contains 'AVOIDING RETURN'. The third box on the right contains 'INJURED PERSONNEL'.

**AVOIDING  
RETURN**

**INJURED  
PERSONNEL**







# **UNINJURED PERSONNEL MP ACTIONS**

- ✦ DIRECT THEM TO THEIR UNIT OR HQ
- ▢ IF UNIT LOCATIONS ARE NOT KNOWN, DIRECT THEM TO A STRAGGLER COLLECTION POINT
- ▢ USE WHATEVER TRANSPORTATION MEANS ARE AVAILABLE
- ▢ SOLDIERS RETAIN THEIR PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

# **INJURED PERSONNEL MP ACTIONS**

- × ADMINISTER FIRST AID
- × EVACUATE TO MEDICAL HOSPITAL
- × DISPOSE OF WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT ACCORDING TO SOP OR STRAGGLER CONTROL PLAN

# **PERSONNEL ATTEMPTING TO AVOID RETURN MP ACTIONS**

-  BE CAUTIOUS
-  SEARCH, DISARM, AND DETAIN
-  SAFEGUARD CONFISCATED  
PROPERTY
-  DETAIN UNTIL TRANSPORTATION  
AND ESCORT CAN BE ARRANGED.  
NORMALLY PROVIDED BY THE  
STRAGGLER'S UNIT

# **STRAGGLER CONTROL MEASURES**

- ✎ MOBILE PATROLS/ TCP'S
- ✎ STRAGGLER CONTROL POSTS
- ✎ STRAGGLER COLLECTING  
POSTS

# **STRAGGLER COLLECTION POINT**

A TEMPORARY HOLDING AREA WHERE  
STRAGGLERS ARE HELD WHILE WAITING  
PROCESSING FOR RETURN TO THEIR  
UNITS, MEDICAL CHANNELS, OR OTHER  
MILITARY CHANNELS

# STRAGGLER COLLECTION POINT

- ✂ LOCATED ADJACENT TO MSR<sub>s</sub>
- ▢ IDENTIFY STAGGLERS AND RETURN TO MILITARY CONTROL
- ▢ CATEGORIZE STRAGGLERS AND KEY INFORMATION
- ▢ 3 PERSON TEAM EMPLOYMENT
- ▢ REQUIRES EXTERNAL SUPPORT

# **PROCESSING AT A STRAGGLER COLLECTION POINT**

- FIRST AID
- STRIP SEARCH, IF REQUIRED
- RECORD INFORMATION
- INTELLIGENCE TO MI
- RETURN TO UNIT

# REFUGEE

A PERSON WHO FLEES FOR REFUGE,  
ESPECIALLY FROM WAR OR  
OPPRESSION

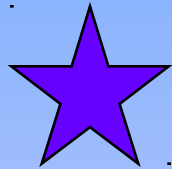




# **REFUGEE CONTROL**

- \* HOST NATION RESPONSIBILITY
- \* MP'S ASSIST
- \* G-5 RESPONSIBLE FOR  
COORDINATION

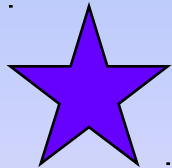
# PURPOSE OF REFUGEE CONTROL



REDUCE UNNECESSARY MOVEMENTS



REDUCE PANIC OR CONFUSION



INCREASE COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER



REDUCES REFUGEE'S RISK OF LIFE AND LOSS  
OF PROPERTY

# REFUGEE CONTROL

## \* HOST NATION RESPONSIBILITY

- MP'S ASSIST

- G-5 RESPONSIBLE FOR  
COORDINATION

# MP'S FUNCTION

- \* PREVENT REFUGEES FROM INTERFERING WITH MOVEMENTS
- \* SELECT ROUTES FOR REFUGEE USE
- \* EMPLOYS MP UNITS TO ENFORCE CONTROL MEASURES, "STAY PUT" POLICIES

# MP'S ROLE

- ▢ LAW ENFORCEMENT
- ▢ DIRECT REFUGEES TO ALTERNATIVE ROUTES
- ▢ ESCORT REFUGEES TO HOLDING AREAS
- ▢ ENFORCE CURFEWS

# **DISPLACED PERSON**

A CIVILIAN WHO IS OUTSIDE THE  
BOUNDARIES OF THE COUNTRY IN  
TIME OF WAR WHO MAY OR MAY NOT  
BE DESIROUS OF REPATRIATION

# **EVACUEE**

A CIVILIAN REMOVED FROM HIS PLACE  
OF RESIDENCE BY MILITARY  
DIRECTION FOR REASONS OF HIS OWN  
SECURITY OR THE REQUIREMENTS OF  
THE MILITARY SITUATION

# **PROTECTED PERSONNEL**

CIVILIAN OR MILITARY  
PERSONS ENTITLED TO  
BENEFITS UNDER ANY TREATY  
BETWEEN OPPOSING  
BELLIGERENTS AND ALL  
PERSONNEL DESCRIBED IN THE  
GENEVA CONVENTION





# ENEMY EXPLOITATION OF CIVILIAN POPULACE

- ▮ AGENT INFILTRATION
- ▮ DISRUPT LOC
- ▮ LIMIT COURSES OF ACTION
- ▮ USE REFUGEES AS COVER

# **MP SUPPORT TO PASSAGE OF LINE**

- DEPENDS ON NEEDS OF COMMAND
- MP AVAILABLE
- CORPS AND DIV LEVEL STAFF PLAN
- MPs CONDUCT:
  - TCPs
  - ESCORT/GUIDE VEHICLES
  - TEMPORARY ROUTE SIGNS

# **AREA DAMAGE CONTROL**

AREA DAMAGE CONTROL MEASURES  
ARE TAKEN BEFORE, DURING, AND  
AFTER HOSTILE ACTIONS AND/OR  
NATURAL OR MAN-MADE  
DISASTERS, IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE  
EFFECTS AND  
REDUCE DAMAGE

# **MP ROLE IN AREA DAMAGE CONTROL**

- **PERFORM ROUTE AND AREA RECONS IN AFFECTED AREA**
- **EVALUATE THE SERVICEABILITY OF THE ROAD NETWORK**
- **REPORT STATUS OF CRITICAL POINTS (BRIDGES, TUNNELS)**
- **MONITOR THE FLOW OF REFUGEES FROM THE DAMAGE**
- **REPORT AND BLOCK OFF AFFECTED AREA**
- **PROVIDE AREA SECURITY FOR INVOLVED CRITICAL FACILITIES**

# **MP ROLE IN AREA DAMAGE CONTROL**

**(CON'T)**

- **REROUTE BATTLEFIELD MOVEMENT TO ALTERNATE ROUTES**
- **CHECK/REPORT NBC CONTAMINATION**
- **PREVENT SABOTAGE, LOOTING, AND PILFERAGE**
- **PROTECT PROPERTY, CONTAIN PANIC, AND ENFORCE  
EMERGENCY RESTRICTIONS**
- **DIRECT PERSONS TO MEDICAL FACILITIES**
- **POST TEMPORARY SIGNS ON UNSAFE BUILDINGS**

# **MP ROLE IN AREA DAMAGE CONTROL**

**(CON'T)**

- **HELP ESTABLISH POPULACE CONTROL IN AFFECTED**
  - **OPERATE MOUNTED AND DISMOUNTED MOBILE PAT**
- CHECK POINTS AND ROADBLOCKS TO:**
- **DIRECT REFUGEES**
  - **COLLECT STRAGGLERS**
  - **ENFORCE RESTRICTIONS ON MOVEMENTS WITHIN THE  
CONTAMINATED AREA**
  - **ENFORCE CURFEWS, STAND-FAST ORDERS, AND  
MOVEMENT PRIORITIES**

# QUESTIONS